PATENT APPLICATION

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 1797

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Hidekazu HOSHINO et al. Group Art Unit: 1797

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For: DISCRIMINATION MEDIUM, DISCRIMINATION METHOD, ARTICLE TO BE

DISCRIMINATED, AND DISCRIMINATION APPARATUS

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the December 24, 2009 Office Action, please consider the following:

Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the listing of claims; and

Remarks.